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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JANUARY 5, 2001

APPLICATION OF

PREMIERE NETWORK SERVICES  
OF VIRGINIA, INC.

CASE NO. PUC000144

For certificates of public  
convenience and necessity to  
provide local exchange and  
interexchange telecommunications  
services

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO ACCEPT  
LATE FILING AND PRESCRIBE NEW NOTICE

On October 4, 2000, Premiere Network Services of Virginia, Inc. ("Premiere" or "Applicant"), completed an application for certificates of public convenience and necessity ("certificates") with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia.

By Order dated November 17, 2000, the Commission directed the Applicant to provide notice of its application to the public and each local exchange and interexchange carrier certificated in Virginia and scheduled a public hearing to receive evidence relevant to Premiere's application. The November 17, 2000, Order for Notice and Hearing directed Premiere to file with the Commission proof of publication and notice by January 3, 2001.

On January 3, 2001, Premiere, by counsel, filed a motion requesting that the Commission (1) accept late-filed proof of publication of notice and (2) establish a new schedule for Premier to serve notice on carriers and to file proof of having served such notice. In support of its requests, Premiere states that the prescribed newspaper publication was properly completed, but that tear sheets or publisher's affidavits have not yet been furnished. Further, Premiere states that its records do not show that delivery of notice to carriers was accomplished.

NOW UPON CONSIDERATION of this motion, the Commission is of the opinion that we should accept Premiere's late-filed proof of publication of notice; that Premier should give notice of its application to each local exchange and interexchange carrier certificated in Virginia; and that the dates for the filing of Comments, Notices of Protest, Protests, and Testimony should be extended.

Accordingly, IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) On or before January 10, 2001, Applicant shall give notice of its application to each local exchange and interexchange telephone carrier certificated in Virginia by personal delivery or by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the customary place of business or residence of the person served. A current list of those carriers and their addresses

was attached to our November 17, 2000, Order for Notice and Hearing as Appendices A and B.

(2) On or before January 17, 2001, Applicant shall provide to the Commission proof of publication of notice and proof of the notice and service required by ordering paragraph (1) herein.

(3) The date for the filing of comments on the application is extended from January 9, 2001, to January 25, 2001.

(4) The date for the filing of Notices of Protest, Protests, and Testimony is extended from January 9, 2001, to January 25, 2001.

(5) All other provisions of our November 17, 2001, Order for Notice and Hearing shall remain in effect.